

**REPORT/RECOMMENDATION TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
OF SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY, CALIFORNIA  
AND RECORD OF ACTION**

**June 3, 2003**

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**FROM:** KEN A. MILLER, Director  
Department of Public Works – **Flood Control**

**SUBJECT: CONTRACT WITH HERMAN WEISSKER FOR SUBSURFACE  
UTILITY INVESTIGATION SERVICES FOR SULTANA-CYPRESS STORM  
DRAIN, PHASE II, CITY OF ONTARIO**

**RECOMMENDATION:** Acting as the governing body of the Flood Control District (District), approve contract with Herman Weissker, Inc. (Contractor) in the amount of \$45,192.36 for vacuum excavation utility locating services related to the District's Sultana-Cypress Storm Drain, Phase II project.

**BACKGROUND INFORMATION:** The District is currently preparing plans and specifications for a proposed underground storm drain that will be sized to convey a 100-year flow rate of 833 cubic feet per second. The facility will begin at Euclid Avenue, follow the alignment of the present Sultana-Cypress Storm Drain to Sultana Avenue, and proceed north along Sultana Avenue to Philadelphia Street in the City of Ontario. On September 24, 2002, the Board approved a Cooperative Agreement with the United States Department of Agriculture's Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS), in which NRCS will provide funding up to \$5,600,000 for the subject project. The estimated construction cost of this project is \$6.7 million.

There are numerous existing utility lines crossing the proposed alignment. Accurate horizontal and vertical location information is necessary for design purposes and to avoid construction conflicts. A contractor was selected, through the County's informal solicitation process, to obtain such utility location information. Quote proposals are requested from six utility locating services. Three proposals were received, with Herman Weissker, Inc. submitting the lowest fee proposal of \$36,192.36. A contingency account, in the amount of \$9,000, has been added to the contract to fund additional unforeseen services that may arise, which are beyond the scope of services. The Contractor is anticipated to begin the potholing services in July, 2003 and complete the work in about one month.

**REVIEW BY OTHERS:** This item has been reviewed by Deputy County Counsel Charles S. Scolastico on May 19, 2003 and by the County Administrative Office (Norm Kanold, Associate Administrative Officer) on May 23, 2003.

**FINANCIAL IMPACT:** Approval of this item would authorize payment not to exceed \$45,192.36 to Herman Weissker, Inc. Funds for the vacuum excavation potholing services are available from the District's Zone 1 budget for Fiscal Year 2003/2004 (RFA 091 091 200 2445 11F01566).

**SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT(S):** 4th

**PRESENTER:** Ken A. Miller, 387-7906

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